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Letter dated 9 November 2000 from the Permanent Representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Please find attached a communiqué issued by the mini-summit of parties to the conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo convened on 7 and 8 November 2000 in Tripoli, in the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, at the invitation of Colonel Muammar Qaddafi, Leader of the Revolution, and attended by Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of Zimbabwe, Mr. Yoweri Museveni, President of Uganda, Mr. Alpha Omar Konari, President of Mali, Mr. Paul Kagame, President of Rwanda, and by representatives of Angola, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Namibia and South Africa.

The participants agreed on the deployment of a neutral African force in the Democratic Republic of the Congo to guarantee the security of the borders of Rwanda and Uganda and to assess the size and strength of the armed groups in the Democratic Republic of the Congo with the objective of disarming, disbanding and resettling them. They also agreed that Ugandan and Rwandan forces should withdraw from the Democratic Republic of the Congo in accordance with the Lusaka Agreement, followed by the withdrawal of all other foreign forces.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Communiqué

At the invitation of Brother Muammar Qaddafi addressed to President Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe, President Yoweri Museveni of Uganda, President Alpha Omar Konari of Mali, President Paul Kagame of Rwanda, and representatives of Angola, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Namibia, and South Africa, a summit was convened in Tripoli on 7 and 8 November 2000 on the conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The summit was also attended by former President Ahmed Ben Bella of Algeria and Mr. Kojo Tshikata representing the World Mathaba.

In fulfilment of the Lusaka and Sirte Agreements, the heads of State and Government and representatives of the Governments present agreed as follows:

1. A neutral African force shall be deployed immediately in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

2. The neutral force shall guarantee the security of the borders of Rwanda and Uganda.

3. The neutral force shall assess the size of the Interahamwe and other armed groups in the Democratic Republic of the Congo with the objective of disarming, disbanding and resettling those groups.

4. In implementation of paragraphs 1 and 2 above, Uganda and Rwanda shall withdraw their forces from the Democratic Republic of the Congo in accordance with the Lusaka Agreement.

5. In accordance with the Lusaka Agreement, all other foreign forces shall be withdrawn from the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

6. The summit requested the Leader of the Libyan Revolution to follow up the implementation of this agreement.

7. The summit expressed its deep appreciation to the leader of the Great September Revolution and the people of the Great Jamahiriya for their traditional hospitality.

Done at Tripoli on 8 November 2000.